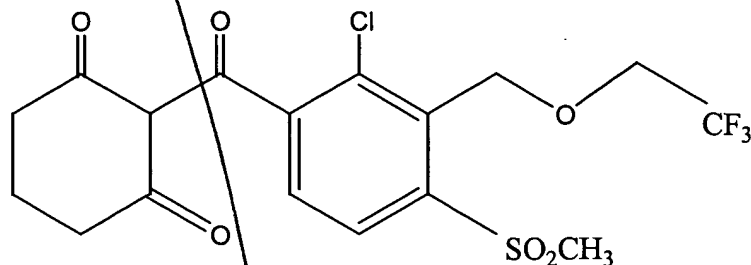
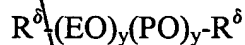


--14. The herbicidal composition according to claim 6, which comprises, as

compound A), a compound of the formula



and, as component B), a surfactant to mixture has the formula



wherein

$R^{\delta}$  is  $C_{12}H_{25}$  and  $C_{14}H_{29}-O-$

X is 6

Y is 4

$R^{\delta}$  is H. --

### REMARKS

This invention provides for herbicidal compositions, which exhibit a particularly potent herbicidal action, and to methods using the same to control harmful plants.

In response to the Requirement for an Election of Species, Applicants elect the composition of claim 14. Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8 to 14 read upon the elected species. Support for the elected species and for claim 14 is found on page 19 (compound A9) and on page 11 (compound no. 105). Thus, no new matter is added by this Amendment.

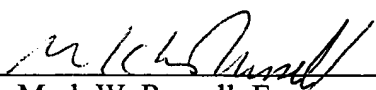
Applicants respectfully traverse this requirement if it means that the Examiner will not search additional compositions should the elected species be found to be allowable. Applicants urge that the Requirement is improper because it does not establish that searching all the species constitutes an undue burden to the Office and because it is contrary to public policy. Applicants urge that as the Requirement does not identify specific groups, it is impossible to mitigate against reduction in patent term because they do not know which compounds do not read upon the elected species. Hence, reconsideration and withdrawal of this requirement is requested.

It is believed that no fee is required for the consideration of this Amendment. If, however, a fee is required, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

An early examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted.

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